

the...I'll start with the committee amendments. What the committee amendments do is to change language to comport with...the bill deals with the Nebraska... the reports that are issued by the Supreme Court of its opinions then are bound in a book form. The bill refers to that as the Nebraska Supreme Court Reports. The name, as copyrighted by the state, is actually Nebraska Reports. So what this would do is to make the bill language, the statutory language comport with the way the Supreme Court copyrights, for the benefit of the state, copyrights those opinions. With that, I'd urge the adoption of the amendments.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Is there any discussion on the committee amendments? Seeing none, Senator Lindsay, do you wish to close? Closing is waived. The question before the body is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 271. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the adoption of committee amendments.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The committee amendments are adopted. Chair recognizes Senator Lindsay to open on LB 271.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Madam President, members. LB 271 is designed to clean up some language regarding distribution of court opinions. The statutes provide and have provided that copies of the Nebraska Reports, which are the volumes that comprise the or accumulate the opinions of the Supreme Court into a book form along with the advance sheets, which are the small pamphlets each of you, I think, receive in your office with the most current Supreme Court opinions. The statutes provide distribution or for distribution of those reports. They go to the different county courts, the district courts, to the Clerk of the Legislature, to the directors of the different executive departments and things like that. What, three or four years ago, I guess, Senator Kristensen's constitutional amendment and bill created the Nebraska Court of Appeals. And the Court of Appeals also issues reports of their opinions. Those reports, again, are put into bound form, but there is no mechanism because they're not referred to in the statutes, there is no mechanism mandated by statute for distribution of those. What the Supreme Court has asked that it just mirror the distribution that we have for the Nebraska Supreme Court. .the